



# Bethel

CONGREGATIONAL  
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Born of Love

Shaped by Grace

Transformed for Service

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# Order of Worship

## January 21, 2018

\*Indicates an invitation to stand as you are able.

The congregation is invited to respond with the words printed in BOLD.

Hearing devices and large print bulletins are available from an usher.

Please turn off the ringtone on your cell phone.

### Gathering Music

### Welcome and Announcements

### \*Call To Worship

One: Today we continue the season of Epiphany!

Many: **We've gathered to find out for ourselves how Emmanuel is with us!**

One: The baby Jesus grew into a man of tremendous spiritual awareness and power.

Many: **We've gathered to find out for ourselves how Emmanuel is with us!**

One: Jesus believed he was God's beloved. He revealed how to be authentically human.

Many: **We've gathered to find out for ourselves how Emmanuel is with us!**

All: **May our worship of the Still Speaking God show us the way to live with integrity and authenticity.**



\*Sing! #29

God's Grace

### Opening Prayer and Lord's Prayer (Trespases)

**Holy God, thank you for providing us the time and space to gather together. This sanctuary gives us the opportunity to put aside everything that distracts us from your radical love. Give us the peace and serenity we need to see Your presence – shaping and guiding what we think, how we act, and how we feel. Give us the confidence and courage to bring our whole selves here to be blessed and set free. In the name and spirit of the One who showed us how to live in your radical love, and taught us to pray, Our Father/Mother, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespases as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

### Children's Time

(Teachers and students depart for Sunday school classes and as they go we sing...)

**Help me do the justice to be done today,  
Help me love kindness in all I do and say,  
Let walk humbly with you, O God I pray,  
Every step of the way, every step of the way.**

Scripture Reading          John 2:12-16

Sermon                          Anger: In Defense of Justice

Special Music                  I Choose                          Amanda & Owen Hofmann-Smith

### Prayers of the People

Sharing Joys and Concerns  
Quiet Prayer and Meditation  
Pastoral Prayer

### Invitation to the Offering

### Offertory

### \*Doxology #775

**And God will raise you up on eagle's wings,  
Bear you on the breath of dawn,  
Make you to shine like the sun,  
And hold you in the palm of God's hand.**

### \*Prayer of Dedication

\*Hymn #573                          Lead on Eternal Sovereign

### \*Benediction

Postlude                          Unwritten                          Amanda & Owen Hofmann-Smith

# Mission Statement

- While our Christian faith is 2000 years old, our thinking is not.
- We are a people on a faith journey where grace abounds.
- We celebrate God's still speaking voice revealed in our world today.
- We worship God, share the life and teachings of Jesus Christ and practice God's unconditional love for all creation.
- We act on our faith to achieve needed works of service, justice, love and kindness.
- We support one another, celebrating our roots and enthusiastically embracing our evolving future.
- We are an open and affirming congregation welcoming all in God's family wherever each is in life's journey.

## Birthdays This Week

Dylan Ivanish 01/23

Bob Leitner 01/27

## Today's Worship Leaders

Reader—Carolyn Rundorff

Flowers—Nancy Macpherson

Ushers—Linda Timmel, Barbara Hess, Susan Bauer, Rowlan French

Coffee—HomePerk

Food—Rowland French

Open and Close—Jonathan Schlueter

Sound—Robert Keniston, Jim Keniston

Nursery—Megan Lucas-Griffiths, Kathryn Fairman

PreK-1st—Hannah Lindsey, Eliza Greenwood

2nd-5th—Jim Butler, Michele Green

Youth—Pam Schlueter, Ken Ruse

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